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## REPORT ON THE FILING OR DETERMINATION OF AN ACTION REGARDING A PATENT OR TRADEMARK

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DOCKET NO 90MWB	DATE FILED 9/24/2010	U.S. DIS	TRICT COURT No	orthern Iowa	
PLAINTIFF		1	DEFENDANT		
Wells Dairy Inc.			Dipping Dots Inc.		
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## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT NORTHERN DISTRICT OF IOWA WESTERN DIVISION

WELLS' DAIRY, INC., Plaintiff,		) ) Civil Action No. 5:10-cv-04090-MWE )
v.		) ) JURY TRIAL DEMANDED )
DIPPIN' DOTS, INC.	Defendants	) ) ) ) )

#### COMPLAINT

Plaintiff, Wells' Dairy, Inc. ("Plaintiff") for its complaint against Defendant, Dippin' Dots, Inc. ("Defendant"), alleges as follows:

- 1. Plaintiff is a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Iowa, with its principal place of business at 1 Blue Bunny Drive, Le Mars, Iowa 51031.
- 2. Defendant is a corporation organized and existing under the laws of Illinois with its principal offices at 5101 Charter Oak Drive, Paducah, Kentucky 42001.
- 3. This is a civil action for trademark infringement arising under the Trademark Laws of the United States, 15 U.S.C. §§ 1051-1127; for false designation of origin and unfair competition in violation of 15 U.S.C. § 1125(a); and for trademark infringement and unfair competition under the common law of the State of Iowa.

- 4. The subject matter jurisdiction of this court is invoked under 15 U.S.C. § 1121(a), 28 U.S.C. §§ \$1331, 1332(a) and 1338(a). This Court has related claim jurisdiction over the state law claim pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1338(b) and 28 U.S.C. § 1367.
- 5. Based on information and belief, this Court has personal jurisdiction over the Defendant because Defendant is licensed to do business with the state of Iowa, has done and regularly does business in this judicial district and throughout the state of Iowa and the acts complained of herein have taken place, and will take place in this judicial district. Further, Defendant has intentionally directed their actions to this district by undertaking the conduct alleged below knowing or should have known that the brunt of injury would be suffered in this District.
  - 6. Venue is proper under 28 U.S.C. § 1391.
  - 7. The amount in controversy in this action is in excess of \$75,000.

## COUNT I

# Trademark Infringement under 15 U.S.C. § 1114 (Registration Nos. 2,114,408 for CHILL and 1,945,098 for LEMON CHLL)

- 8. Plaintiff is the owner of U.S. Trademark Registration Nos. 2,114,408 for the mark CHILL, issued November 18, 1997, and 1,945,098 for the mark LEMON CHLL, issued January 2, 1996, for naturally flavored Italian ice in International Class 30. These registrations are in full force and effect. True and correct copies of these Registration Certificates are attached as Exhibit A.
  - 9. U.S. Registration Nos. 1,945,098 and 2,114,408 are both incontestable.
- 10. Plaintiff sells frozen confections under the CHILL and LEMON CHILL marks throughout the United States, and has sold products under the LEMON CHILL mark

(Registration No. 1,945,098) dating back as early as January 1989. By virtue of its extensive sales, the CHILL and LEMON CHILL mark have become distinctive and widely recognized by members of the public who, upon seeing the name, identify the name with Plaintiff. True and correct copies of Plaintiff's 2010 Product Guides evidencing Plaintiff's use of this mark in commerce are attached as Exhibit B.

- 11. Defendant is a manufacturer and distributor of frozen confection novelty products and has sought registration in the United States Patent and Trademark Office for the mark DIPPIN' DOTS CHILLZ, Application Serial No. 77/799,034 for use in connection with "ice cream, frozen yogurt, and novelty flavored frozen water beads". A true and correct copy of this application is attached as Exhibit C.
- 12. On information and belief, Defendant has launched a line of products known as "Dippin' Dots CHILLZ," also known as "CHILLZ," for frozen confections. True and correct copies of Defendant's website showing this product are attached as Exhibit D.
- trade name "CHILLZ" or "Dippin' Dots CHILLZ" constitutes willful and intentional trademark infringement of Plaintiff's federally registered and uncontested trademarks CHILL and LEMON CHILL in violation of 15 U.S.C. § 1114. Said use by Defendant, which is without permission of Plaintiff, has caused confusion and is likely to continue to cause confusion, to cause mistake, or to deceive as to the source, sponsorship, or approval of Defendant's goods in that consumers of Plaintiff's goods are likely to believe that Defendant's goods are either those offered by Plaintiff or are in some way legitimately connected with Plaintiff, all to Plaintiff's damage.

14. Defendant's conduct complained of herein has caused substantial and irreparable damage to Plaintiff and will continue to cause further irreparable damage to Plaintiff if Defendant is not permanently enjoined by this Court from further violation of Plaintiff's rights and Plaintiff has no adequate remedy at law.

# COUNT II False Designation of Origin and Unfair Competition under 15 U.S.C. § 1125(a) (CHILL and LEMON CHILL)

- 15. Plaintiff repeats and re-alleges each of the above paragraphs as if set forth fully herein.
- Defendant's use of "CHILLZ" or "Dippin' Dots CHILLZ" constitutes use in commerce of a device, or a false designation of origin, or a false or misleading description or representation with respect to Defendant's goods, which is likely to cause confusion, to cause mistake, or to deceive as to the affiliation, connection, or association of Defendant with Plaintiff, or as to the origin, sponsorship, or approval of Defendant's goods, and Plaintiff has been and is likely to be damaged by Defendant's use of such symbols or device, or false designation or origin, or false or misleading description or representation, all in violation of 15 U.S.C. § 1125(a).
- 17. Defendant's conduct complained of herein has caused substantial and irreparable damage to Plaintiff and will continue to cause further irreparable damage to Plaintiff if Defendant is not preliminarily and permanently enjoined by this Court from further violations of Plaintiff's rights and Plaintiff has no adequate remedy at law.

# COUNT VI Common Law Trademark Infringement and Unfair Competition (CHILL and LEMON CHILL)

- 18. Plaintiff repeats and re-alleges each of the above paragraphs as if set forth fully herein.
- 19. Defendant's use of "CHILLZ" or "Dippin' Dots CHILLZ" constitutes use in commerce of a symbol or device, or a false designation of origin, or a false or misleading description or representation with respect to Defendant's goods, which is likely to cause confusion, to cause mistakes, or to deceive as to the affiliation, connection, or association of Defendant with Plaintiff, or as to the origin, sponsorship, or approval of Defendant's goods and services, and Plaintiff has been and is likely to be damaged by Defendant's use of such symbols or device, or false designation of origin, or false or misleading description or representation all in violation of the common law of the State of Iowa.
- 20. Defendant's conduct complained of herein has caused substantial and irreparable damage to Plaintiff and will continue to cause further irreparable damage to Plaintiff if Defendant is not preliminarily and permanently enjoined by this Court from further violation of Plaintiff's rights and Plaintiff has no adequate remedy at law.

### PRAYER FOR RELIEF

WHEREFORE, Wells' Dairy demands judgment in its favor and against Defendant as follows:

A. That Defendant, its officers, directors, agents, attorneys, servants, employees, successors, and assigns, and all other persons in active concert or participation with them, and all those acting under the authority of or in privity with Defendant, be preliminarily and

permanently enjoined from using in any manner whatsoever "CHILLZ" alone or in combination with other words and/or symbols and/or colors as a trademark to advertise, promote, or identify the source of its goods;

- B. that Defendant be ordered to remove all advertisements, promotions, displays, packaging, price lists, catalogs, publications, and articles, or any other materials in its possession or in control of any of its agents, which bear or represent in any way a copy, simulation, colorable imitation, reproduction, photograph, copy, or similar device that is confusingly similar to Plaintiff's trademarks and rights alleged above;
- C. that Defendant be ordered to account for and pay over to Plaintiff all earnings, profits, receipts and advantages derived by Defendant through the marketing of goods in association with the unlawful acts alleged herein;
- D. that Defendant be ordered to compensate Plaintiff for the advertising or other expenses necessary to dispel, cure, or counteract any public confusion caused by Defendant's unlawful acts;
- E. that Defendant be ordered to pay Plaintiff compensatory damages in a sum equal to three (3) times the amount of Plaintiff's actual damages pursuant to 15 U.S.C. § 1117;
- G. that Defendant be order to expressly abandon its trademark Application Serial No. 77/799,034;
- F. that Plaintiff be awarded its costs, expenses, and attorneys' fees for bringing and prosecuting this action; and
- G. that Plaintiff be awarded such other and further relief as this Court may deem just and proper.

#### **JURY DEMAND**

Plaintiff demands a jury trial on all issues triable by jury.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Christine Lebrón-Dykeman

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MAG, JUDGE

# CIVIL COVER SHEET

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The JS-44 civil cover sheet and the information contained herein neither replace nor supplement the fling and service of pleadings or other papers as required by law, except as provided by local rules of court. This form, approved by the Judicial Conference of the United States in September 1974, is required for the use of the Clerk of Court for the purpose of initiating the civil docket sheet (SEE INSTRUCTIONS ON THE REVERSE OF THE FORM.) 1. (a) PLAINTIFFS DEFENDANTS Wells' Dairy, Inc. Dippin' Dots, Inc. Plymouth County, Iowa COUNTY OF RESIDENCE OF FIRST LISTED DEFENDANT (b) COUNTY OF RESIDENCE OF FIRST LISTED PLAINTIFF (EXCEPT IN U.S. PLAINTIFF CASES) (IN U.S. PLAINTIFF CASES ONLY) NOTE IN LAND CONDEMNATION CASES, USE THE LOCATION OF THE TRACT OF LAND INVOLVED. (C) ATTORNEYS (FIRM NAME, ADDRESS, AND TELEPHONE NUMBER) ATTORNEYS (IF KNOWN) Christine Lebron-Dykeman, Bruce W. McKee, Kurt R. Van Thomme McKee, Voorhees & Sease, PLC 801 Grand Ave., Suite 3200 Des Moines, 1A 50309 III. CITIZENSHIP OF PRINCIPAL PARTIES (PLACE AN "X" IN ONE BOX FOR PLAINTIFF AND ONE BOX FOR DEFENDANT) II. BASIS OF JURISDICTION (PLACE AN "X" IN ONE BOX ONLY) (For Diversity Cases Only) PTF DEF PTF DEF Incorporated or Principal Place 1 U.S. Government 図 a Federal Question Citizen of This State **⊠**4 □ 4 (U.S. Government Not a Party) of Business in This State Plaintiff Incorporated and Principal Place 5 5 5 Citizen of Another State 2 2 2 2 U.S. Government □ 4 Diversity (Indicate Citizenship of Parties of Business In Another State Defendant in Item (II) Foreign Nation □6 □ 6  $\square 3 \square 3$ Citizen or Subject of a Foreign Country IV. NATURE OF SUIT (PLACE AN -X- IN ONE BOX ONLY) FORFEITURE/PENALTY BANKRUPTCY OTHER STATUTES **TORTS** CONTRACT PERSONAL INJURY 610 Agriculture
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& Enforcement of Judgment 630 Liquor Laws 640 R.R. & Truck 460 Deportation 320 Assault, Libel & PROPERTY RIGHTS 470 Racketeer Influenced and Corrupt Organizations 368 Asbestos Personal Injury Product Liability Siande 330 Federal Employers' 650 Airline Regs. ☐ 820 Copyrights ☐ 830 Patent ☑ 840 Trademark 151 Medicera Act 850 Securities/Commodities/
Exchange 660 Occupational 162 Recovery of Defaulted Student Loans (Excl. Velerans) 340 Marine PERSONAL PROPERTY Safety/Health 340 Merine
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Prior U.S. Cl.: 46

# United States Patent and Trademark Office Registered Jan. 2, 1996

# TRADEMARK PRINCIPAL REGISTER

### LEMON CHILL

MOORE ENTERPRISES, INC. (TEXAS CORPORATION)
3221 MAY STREET
FORT WORTH, TX 76110

FOR: NATURALLY FLAVORED ITALIAN ICES, IN CLASS 30 (U.S. CL. 46).

FIRST USE 1-0-1989; IN COMMERCE 1-0-1989.

OWNER OF U.S. REG. NOS. 1,606,621 AND 1,798,016.
NO CLAIM IS MADE TO THE EXCLUSIVE RIGHT TO USE "LEMON", APART FROM THE MARK AS SHOWN.

SER. NO. 74-536,622, FILED 6-13-1994.

HOWARD FRIEDMAN, EXAMINING ATTORNEY

Int. Cl.: 30

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Reg. No. 2,114,408

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FOR: NATURALLY FLAVORED ITALIAN ICE, IN CLASS 30 (U.S. CL. 46).
FIRST USE 6-5-1997; IN COMMERCE 6-5-1997.

SN 74-536,709, FILED 6-13-1994.

HOWARD FRIEDMAN, EXAMINING ATTORNEY

## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT NORTHERN DISTRICT OF IOWA WESTERN DIVISION

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WELLS' DA v. DIPPIN' DO	Plaintiff,	) ) Civil Action No. 5:10-ev-04090-MWB )  Judge Mark W. Bennett  Magistrate Paul A. Zoss ) ) )				
STIPULATION AND ORDER REGARDING DISMISSAL WITH PREJUDICE						
The parties to this action, having settled and resolved all disputes contained herein or						
pertaining hereto, stipulate and agree as follows, subject to the approval of the Court.						
1.	The Court has jurisdiction over the parties and the subject matter of this dispute.					
2.	All claims, demands and defenses asserted herein by way of the pleadings shall					
be, and the same hereby are, dismissed with prejudice.						
3.	Each party shall bear its own costs, expenses and attorney fees.					
4.	This Court shall retain jurisdiction for the purpose of enforcing this Order and the					
Settlement Agreement entered into by the parties in settlement of this litigation.						
IT IS SO O	RDERED.					
Dated:	,	The Honorable Mark W. Bennett United States District Judge				

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# CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on March 4, 2010, I filed the foregoing with the Clerk of Court using the ECF system which will send notification of such filing to the following: